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REMARKS

The specification has been amended to include a brief description of the drawings as required by the action mailed 20 October 2004. Applicants respectfully submit that these amendments cure the alleged inconsistency between the drawings and specification.

Applicants believe that no fees are due for the submission of this amendment, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required to facilitate this filing, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

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